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14 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
15 FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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17 QUECHAN TRIBE OF THE FORT YUMA  
INDIAN RESERVATION,

18 Plaintiff,

19 v.

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21 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, *et al.*,  
22 Defendants.

No. 3:10-cv-2241 LAB CAB

FEDERAL DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF  
RELATED CASES

Date: N/A

Time: N/A

Courtroom No. 9, Second Floor

Hon. Larry Alan Burns

1 Federal Defendants U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Kenneth L.  
 2 Salazar, Robert Abbey, Teri Raml, and Margaret Goodro submit this Notice of Related Cases, pursuant  
 3 to Civil Local Rule 40.1.

4 The following cases have been brought by different plaintiffs or groups of plaintiffs, but all  
 5 naming the U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, and various federal  
 6 officials and all asserting claims under the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321–  
 7 4370h, the National Historic Preservation Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 470–470x-6, and the Federal Land Policy  
 8 and Management Act, 43 U.S.C. §§ 1701–1787, challenging the Imperial Valley Solar Project proposed  
 9 for construction in Imperial County:

10 (1) *Quechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation v. U.S. Department of the Interior*  
 11 (“*Quechan*”), No. 3:10-cv-2241 LAB CAB (Judge Burns);

12 (2) *La Cuna de Aztlan Sacred Sites Protection Circle Advisory Committee v. U.S.*  
 13 *Department of the Interior* (“*La Cuna*”), No. 3:10-cv-2664 WQH WVG (Judge Hayes);<sup>1</sup>

14 and

15 (3) *Protect Our Communities Foundation v. Salazar* (“*POC*”), No. 3:11-124 L POR (Judge  
 16 Lorenz).

17 A preliminary injunction has been issued in *Quechan*. (Order of Jan. 13, 2011 [Dkt. #38].) Plaintiffs  
 18 withdrew their application for a temporary restraining order in *La Cuna*, and no motion for preliminary  
 19 relief is currently pending in that case. (See Order of Jan. 25, 2011 [Dkt. #109].) The Federal  
 20 Defendants have not yet been served in *POC* and there has been no motion for preliminary relief filed.

21 Given that the same project has been challenged in three separate cases bringing the same or  
 22 similar claims, but assigned to three different judges of this court, it seems appropriate that the matters  
 23 be reassigned to one judge, as the Court’s determination of judicial efficiency and convenience may  
 24 direct.

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26 <sup>1</sup> The plaintiffs in *La Cuna* also bring claims under the Native American Graves Protection and  
 27 Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. § 3001–3013.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, David B. Glazer, hereby certify that, on February 2, 2011, I caused the foregoing to be served upon counsel of record through the Court's electronic service system.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: February 2, 2011

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